

**Town Hall Meeting Summary
February 16, 2010
Veterans Memorial Community Center**

Attendance

Mayor Oscar B. Goodman
Councilman Wolfson
Sheriff Doug Gillespie
Betsy Fretwell
Department Directors

Summary of Event

There were approximately 20 participants in attendance. Following the presentation by the City Manager, written questions were moderated and are indicated below.

Audience questions included the following:

1. The City should shut Veterans Memorial down one additional day during the mid-week.
2. Citizens can pay a little bit more for services at Veterans Memorial.
3. A recommendation was made to support the development of a non-profit organization to help the Veterans Memorial Community Center weather the recession.
4. The City should explore increasing ticketing for out-of-state license plates.
5. The Mayor and Council were applauded for their support of the art programs in the Las Vegas valley.
6. A recommendation was made to develop a collaborative relationship between the City, School District, State, and the Arts Commission to help facilitate grant funding.
7. Does development monies in the RDA benefit the General Fund?
8. What is happening with the consolidation of services?

The following were questions/suggestions/comments that were provided and will be included in the public record.

Questions regarding CLV Budget

9. What leadership role is the council taking in cutting costs? Has the city they gotten rid of any of their pet projects?

10. Have the expense of the city exceeded revenues?
11. How did our state and county miss out on the stimulus dollars, who is at fault and how can it be rectified? We need to form a committee to ride hard on the problems and keep those entities that are dragging their feet accountable.

Miscellaneous

1. What is your position on the collective bargaining?
2. Does the fire dept. have drivers for battalion chiefs that are captain level pay?
3. Can the chief explain the need for dual role, cross-trained firefighter paramedics?
4. Don't cut out public safety.
5. Maintain support for art education and cultural venues with support from art agencies and city level.
6. I hope the great cultural programs the city has will not be impacted too much by the budget crisis.
7. I'm a parent with a child in the Adaptive Rec. Program at Lorenzi. This program is incredible,
 - a. Important to families with children w/special needs. Our options for other these kids are severely limited. Is there a chance this program will be cut?
8. These pink slips represent the layoffs that may happen if the city purchases the million dollar software for the comatose planning dept. How can we justify to purchase this year or next?